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## THE NOMINATION OF MR. LANDON

If the enthusiasm engendered by the nomination of Alfred M. Landon, Governor of Kansas, for the Republican candidate for President at Cleveland, Ohio last week continues through the campaign, there would appear to be a real fight in the offing. Mr. Landon has much to recommend him for the Presidency. As set forth by Mr. Hamilton in his nominating speech, Landon came into office as Governor of a great state at the same time and facing the same difficulties as Mr. Roosevelt. He pursued an entirely opposite course than the President, a pay-as-you-go policy, insistence upon a balanced budget, governmental economies. And Kansas weathered the depression with flying colors, is in splendid financial condition.

The Republican platform calls for similar steps in restoring confidence in the administration of national affairs as have proven successful under Landon in Kansas. An aggressive fight by the G. O. P. would appear to be the program. It will be an interesting and exciting campaign—no walkaway for either candidate.

## THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

The Republican Convention was held in Cleveland in a hall decorated by the Works Progress Administration. The fact is significant. The Republican Party is having a New Deal. The Old Republicans and those new Old Republicans, whose prospective walk grows longer and longer, were very quiet. Their organ, the Liberty League, was mentioned only once when the office of Vice President came under discussion. Senator Wadsworth an able man, the first choice of many for the position, was ruled out. His connection with the Liberty League made him ineligible. Thus, with many of its leaders absent and with those present in a subdued and chastened state of mind, the G. O. P. sank from view to allow the new phoenix to arise from its ashes.

The process, inevitably, was not accomplished without a few dying squawks. The first was the keynote speech. It was true to form in that it resembled the keynote speeches of all parties not in power. It may be however that it surpassed them in one respect. It set a new high for political hypocrisy. The speech condemned the Democratic administration on every count, but the record of the man who made it showed that as Senator for Oregon he had voted for every one of measures he attacked. While inveighing against regimentation, interference with business, extravagance, Senator Steiwer voted for N. R. A., A. A. A., T. V. A.; he voted to override the President's veto in various economy measures; he voted for the bonus.

Mr. Hoover's speech was more honest but disappointingly arid to those who had come to expect better things of the Elder Statesman. It may be that the sight of so many republicans gathered together was too much for him. It brought back too many dreary memories of the time when prosperity remained so obdurately around the corner. Actually, however, Mr. Hoover probably sensed the feeling of the convention in that hall remodelled by the New Deal workmen. He knew that the Old Guard was a thing of the past. The King is dead—Long live the King—It is a curious thing that the man who actually inaugurated many of the measures which the New Deal later adopted and extended should have turned against them and actually used them as a point of attack against his opponents. The

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THE EDITORS OF CARO-GRAPHICS ~~~ PRESENTING FACTS ABOUT YOUR COMMUNITY ~~~

New Deal has been referred to as a government of men. If it is, it is only because the Republicans have made it so. Personal feeling can go further than attacking your own principles because they are held by your political opponent.

The platform is an interesting document showing again how carefully the Republicans have watched the experience of their opponents. Political platforms are tricky affairs arising like banishes from the grave to haunt their creators. The Democratic party emblem is the donkey; it is a question if the goat would not have been a more appropriate beast. Too often the party has played the part of the sucker—the goat—the victim of its own dumb honesty. The 1932 Democratic platform is an instance in kind. It remained for them at that time to do something that had seldom if ever been done before: write a platform that meant something. Framed in a tense atmosphere of impractical idealism, the promises were concrete and definite. "If elected," the fatal document read, "we promise to..." and there followed a list of splendid hopes and utterly impossible pledges.

No such mistake has been made this year by the Republicans. The platform is a masterpiece of vague generalities. Where there is a commitment to direct action, it is prefaced by a neutralizing phrase: "if the state of affairs allows"—"commensurate with the national interests." Loop holes of escape offers their sanctuary on every side. The see-saw method is employed—one thing offsetting another—the budget is to be balanced sends us to earth while "taxes are to be reduced" boosts us up again. Then comes "plenty of relief" to bring the board level. We find the high tariff balancing drearily with farm legislation. It is clear that the Republicans have profited by the mistake of their opponents: no Republican platform will ever say anything definite. It is perhaps a safe bet that no future Democratic one will either. Incidentally, not the least interesting thing about the platform is that while repudiation of the New Deal occupies most of its attention, not a promise or even a suggestion is made for repealing a single one of the New Deal laws now in force except the two which affect only the present power in relation to foreign trade policy.

With the nomination of Governor Landon the tone of the Convention seemed to change. The factions faded more or less gracefully from view. The Old Guard wearing the forced smiles of defeated age handed the young party over to the new bridegroom. Mr. Borah, old, but by no means defeated, held his peace and marched staunchly out, followed, one may imagine, by the bridegroom's slightly apprehensive gaze. The assembled delegates paraded, bands played, hysterical ladies and gents proclaimed the victory as good as won. The Republican Party, New Deal style, took over.

Honest opponents, as well as sympathizers, should wish the new candidate success in his attempt to reorganize the Party. It is imperative for the good of the entire country that there should be a vigorous, intelligent, courageous opposition. For the past three years one large body

of public opinion has been stifled by a leadership possessing none of these qualities, one, on the other hand, the party in power has shown the deteriorating effects produced by an opposition which was almost wholly destructive, stupid, and, when it came to action, timid and two-faced. Governor Landon is still an unknown quantity. His endorsement by Hearst will cause grave doubts to many a voter, while his record as governor, contradicting many of his professed sentiments, lead one to suspect an equivocal disposition depressingly allied to the platform see-saw. Still, strange things have come out of Kansas. It is perhaps not too much to hope that its latest phenomenon will be a Republican leader with courage and common sense and with the power to wield his party into a fitting weapon for the expression of the will of its members in the campaign to come.

K. L. B.

## Grains of Sand

Sunday June 21, at 9:22 a. m. the sun will reach the turning point of its apparent course, its greatest distance in the northern sky and we have the longest day of the northern hemisphere. Summer begins officially. Not an uninteresting season in North Carolina.

Out in the southeastern summer sky the planet Jupiter now shines in its great brilliance. A small four year old remarked that it is the first star he sees every night when going to bed. More four year olds and ones of more advanced age might benefit with a closer acquaintance of friendly Jupiter.

During the months of rainless days a severe strain was put upon the weather prophets. The oldest and most reliable of the seers saw their prediction go into reverse. Those still undaunted foretell both long dry and wet periods ahead of us. Wet or dry, laurels and honor will be hung up on either side.

In the long spring drought many a black snake was made to die and hang on a rail fence with the hope of bringing rain. In the course of time plentiful rains brought an end to the persistent sunshine. Losing the snake, was not only hard on the snake itself but a loss to the gardener who depends on the serpent to help dispose of many young rabbits, moles and field mice.

Many freak programs, speakers and sounds sift out of the air through the radio. Recently a scientist from one of the universities lectured on the cicada and then let the whirring little insect come to the microphone and tell something of his own story. His impressions, according to his vibrations were enthusiastic. As he was the seventeen-year variety we won't need to look for him again until 1953 if invited for a return engagement.

The visitors, guests and friends and native sons and daughters that drift into the Sandhills are constantly an interesting source to come in contact with. Last week Mrs. Robert Stewart of Downing Creek had a picnic supper for a number of friends. An interesting trio were three women, former friends in far away Soonchun, Korea, who met accidentally on the banks of the Mossiguel lake. Miss Flora McQueen, a native tarheel, taught in the mission school at Soonchun. Miss Margaret Martin of west-

ern Virginia and Tennessee was a visitor last week of Miss McQueen. The acquaintance began in Korea where both young women were then teachers in the same school. Mary Stuart Wilson, a friend of Kate Stewart hailed from Arkansas by way of Soonchun, and was a student in the schools where Miss McQueen and Miss Martin taught.

Flora McQueen, brother of John McQueen, is an outstanding woman. She is listed in the 1935 year book of prominent American college women. Her social service work put something of a high rating to her name. She has edited a newspaper and done some writing.

Mary Stuart Wilson graduated from Flora Macdonald in the class of 1936. She is the daughter of Dr. R. M. Wilson, a man who has contributed to science and the medical world in his study and relief of leprosy. The little Korean reunion brought three entertaining people together the rest of the supper party counted worthwhile.

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